

CONTACT REPORT

[] and @BROCK 1
23 March 1965

155/GEHLEN, Reinhardt

@BROCK commented on the [] case and UTILITY's interpretation of the affair as a plot by a KUBARK clique to get rid of him (UTILITY). BROCK said he never did find out where UTILITY got his notion. Certainly not from @KUEHNE, since KUEHNE was very upset about the matter and wanted to try and straighten it out in Washington. However, UTILITY sharply forbade him to do this and KUEHNE was so depressed about it he almost went back to the Bundeswehr.

BROCK said he saw no sign that UTILITY was changing his attitude toward KUBARK and that it is unlikely UTILITY would change during the remainder of his tour with CATIDE. A good sign of this is the fact that UTILITY has still not accepted KUBARK's invitation to visit the United States. BROCK said that although UTILITY does not openly display his pique toward KUBARK, the senior people in CATIDE see which way the wind is blowing and take their cue from the boss. If senior CATIDERS don't have much time for the MLB staff it is at least partly due to their belief that it is not good politics for them to have time.

I asked if BROCK had heard any good rumors lately about how soon UTILITY would be replaced. He said unfortunately not, but that he was relatively certain it would not be before the fall election. UTILITY's salvation is the fact that both of the coalition parties would like to name the next chief of CATIDE. An attempt to appoint a new chief would lead to friction between the coalition parties, and the parties would prefer to postpone coming to grips with the problems.

[] with @FLEMING

23 April 65

In context of a discussion of the ICFLUTTER at CATIDE, toward which @FLEMING described UTILITY as still in a "positive" frame of mind, @F indicated that he hoped to persuade the right people to grant him more power to separate CATIDERS under a security cloud without fearing repercussions or bad publicity. @F added that there were some individuals who thought UTILITY would not be around after the next election but that he did not feel that way.

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3B2E
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2005

BEST AVAILABLE COPY